

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mary Pickford—next week—adv.
Bert Lytell—Strand Sunday—adv.
Buy Buttercup each and every day.
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V. P. Cash, postmaster, is at his farm near Farwell on business today. You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers.
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Verne Calkins was in Saginaw on business yesterday.
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Romaine Clark of St. Louis was in the city on business Monday.
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Bring your work to the fair-play shop. Buckbrough & DeGraw—adv.
Dr. E. G. Shuyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones.
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Mr. and Mrs. Paul of Pigeon spent the week end in Alma, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Milliken. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Milliken visited in Ludington for a few days last week.

Old clothes made to look like new, all work guaranteed. St. Alma Tailors and Dry Cleaners—adv.
Charles H. Goggin, attorney, was in Mt. Pleasant on legal business on Wednesday.
Beginning at 10 a. m. Saturday the ladies of the Baptist church will hold a baked goods sale at the office of the Gratiot County Gas Company on State street.

Messrs. Wycoff and Ferris of Elwell, F. M. Sweet, William Schiff, F. H. Handley of this vicinity, and Mr. and Mrs. William Stitt of Pine River township, are at East Lansing attending the activities at M. A. C. in connection with the farmers' week program.

PUBLIC PERILED

500,000 People Endangered by Impure Water Says Rich.

Delay in construction of water works since the war in more than a score of Michigan cities is now endangering the health of 500,000 persons, states Major E. D. Rich, sanitary engineer of the Michigan department of health.

Shortage of materials and poor transportation have prevented normal expansion for five years, declares Major Rich, so that now the margin between the highest demands made on water consumption and the capacity of the works is becoming dangerously inadequate. In some cities the margin is said to be so small that it will be difficult to supply growing communities during the coming summer.

"When a water supply is inadequate," according to the state engineer, "it is frequently necessary during times of emergency such as an outbreak of fire, to draw upon dangerous sources. This constitutes a menace to the community, as the chances for sickness from water-borne diseases are greatly increased. Instances are common where a 24-hour substitution of a supply has resulted in a large epidemic of typhoid fever or intestinal disorders."

Pointing to what Detroit has done in reducing her typhoid fever death rate from 30 per 100,000 population in 1917 to 5 per 100,000 in 1920 by treating the water and planning for an adequate future supply, Major Rich declared that no municipality should delay in the building of needed extensions.

Alma is just one of the many communities that has been suffering in this respect, but in addition to other reasons, the alleged failure to complete the contract for Alma's pure water supply, can be listed. The city officials are making every effort, however, to give Alma pure well water at an early date.

COUNTY MEETING

L. O. T. M. Association Met in St. Louis Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Gratiot County Association of the L. O. T. M. was held in St. Louis Thursday with an all day meeting which was held in the L. O. O. F. hall.

The usual business was taken up in the morning, St. Louis being awarded the honorary banner and Alma the membership banner, the Alma lodge having 51 representatives at the meeting.

Officers elected were as follows: Commander, Mrs. Emma Alexander; lieutenant commander, Mrs. Mary Clow of Alma; past commander, Mrs. Sand of Alma; record keeper, Mrs. Medler of Alma; finance keeper, Mrs. Oscar Vibber, Forest Hill; chaplain, Mrs. Grace Freeman of Shepherd; sergeant, Mrs. Lena Howe of Pleasant Valley; sentinel, Mrs. Rose Bovee of Ithaca; mistress at arms, Mrs. Slingluff of Elwell; picket, Mrs. Lanshaw of Forest Hill; pianist, Mrs. Dick of Alma; captain, Mrs. Bessie Carter of North Star.

Mrs. Emma Alexander was elected as commander for the seventh time, and following the election was presented with presents of appreciation for her good work as commander of the association.

In the afternoon a fine program was given, which was as follows: Address of Welcome—Mrs. Nina Hilsonger.

Response—Mrs. Clow.

Yinger Quartette.

Solos by Mrs. May Hamp and Miss Mildred Burdick.

Recitation—Mrs. Esther Mead.

Reading—Mrs. A. Boone.

Piano solo—Norman Shaw.

Drill by Alma ladies, dressed in hive colors, forming the name "Alma" and Hive No. 332.

It was voted to hold the next meeting of the association at Forest Hill in May.

For the Liver and Bowels

When your liver and bowels become torpid get a bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will tone up your liver and cause a gentle movement of the bowels. They also improve the digestion.—85-4v.

DEFEAT MT. PLEASANT

Local Bowling Team Wins Over Mt. Pleasant Alley Men.

The Alma bowling team has won its first two matches with a team from outside the city. The Mt. Pleasant bowlers were twice victims of the local alley men, who took one match at Mt. Pleasant and another on the Luchini alleys in this city.

Following are the scores:

Mt. Pleasant				
Myler	135	145	149	429
Maloney	128	117	109	414
Donovan	139	198	144	481
Postal	189	166	143	498
Hoot	169	169	154	484

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Alma				
Roth	157	168	173	498
Fuller	150	131	191	472
Luchini	106	160	169	435
Howell	169	169	190	528
Mulvey	197	175	176	548

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Alma				
Roth	162	147	149	458
Johnson	172	201	201	574
Howell	183	168	174	525
Goggin	185	162	170	517
Mulvey	169	138	150	457

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Mt. Pleasant				
Hoot	186	168	176	530
Myler	132	147	122	401
Maloney	137	122	174	433
Bryson	175	149	162	486
Donovan	136	184	136	456

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THE CHURCHES

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Rev. John A. Mulvey, Pastor.

Holy masses as follows: First and third Sundays of each month, at 8:30 and 10:30 a. m. Second and fourth Sundays at 10:30 a. m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

511 N. Park Ave., Alma, Mich.

Subject: Spirit.

Sunday School—9:30.

Lesson Sermon—10:30.

Wednesday Testimony meeting—7:30 p. m.

The Christian Science reading room located at 113½ W. Superior street is open daily except Sunday from 2:30 to 5 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to the services and to the reading room.

St. John's Episcopal Church

Quinquagesima Sunday

Sunday School—11:30.

Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Holy Communion and sermon by Dr. John H. Davis.

Vested choir seats free. A welcome awaits you, come. Time is 7:30 p. m.

Ash Wednesday at 9 a. m. Holy Communion and address.

Lent begins next Wednesday. The church has observed this holy season throughout the centuries and its observance has been of great spiritual value. Let it be for each of us a time for meditation and appreciation; a time when we consider the value of God for us and ours. There are things temporal and eternal; things that pass, and that forever continue. Lent is related to these eternal quantities. It is the desire of the church to help all who rightly relate this life to the eternal life of God.

Free Methodist Church

Corner West Center and Cedar Ave

Sunday Services—

Sunday School—10 a. m.

Preaching—11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Thursday evening prayer meeting—7 p. m.

Peter White, Pastor, 222 Philadelphia avenue.

Special Meetings

Held at the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints on South Pleasant

Ave. Each night some subject on the Doctrine of Christ taken up and explained from a Bible standpoint. Everybody welcome, come and hear the Gospel. Services begin at 7:15. G. W. Burt of Beaverton, Mich., speaker.

First Baptist Church

Opposite Masonic Home on State street. E. E. Shouffer, pastor, residence 504 Wright ave.

"Save a Life In China."

10:00 a. m.—Divine Worship.

Sermon topic, "As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men."

Communion.

11:15 a. m.—Sunday school.

Come prepared to make the work helpful.

6:00 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. meeting.

Meetings at this hour are helpful and attractively conducted.

7:00 p. m.—Preaching and song service. "The man with a grouch," is the subject.

Don't forget the prayer meetings.

Everybody come—a welcome awaits you.

East Superior Christian Church

J. F. Williams, Pastor

Motto—"The whole church all day in the Lord's house, planning the Lord's work."

9:45 a. m.—Church school.

This will be our first Sunday in the ten weeks contest with the Owosso Christian Bible School. Everybody be on time for the aeroplane race!

11:00 a. m.—Communion and sermon. Subject, "Our Spiritual Indebtedness."

12:30 p. m.—Basket dinner in the dining room.

2:00 p. m.—Devotional service, led by G. H. Carl.

2:30 p. m.—Ordination of church officers.

3:15 p. m.—Volunteer service, when pledges for local budget will be laid on Communion table.

5:30 p. m.—Luncheon in dining room.

6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor day services, with installation of officers and symposium in the pledge.

"History of Christian Endeavor" by Roger Zinn, "Our Living Link in State Missions" by J. F. Williams.

Special instrumental and vocal music. Public cordially invited.

Presbyterian Church

Corner of W. Superior St. and Prospect Ave. Rev. W. L. Gelston, minister.

10 a. m.—Sunday school.

Last Sunday the girls had a larger attendance than the boys. It's up to

the boys now to return the favor. 11 a. m.—Morning worship. Theme: "What Think Ye of Christ, Whose Son Is He?" This is the third in the series "What May I Believe and Why?"

3 p. m.—Junior Endeavor.

6 p. m.—Y. P. S. C. E.

7 p. m.—Evening worship.

Theme: "A Man of the Simple Life." This is in the series of heart to heart talks on the theme, "The Kind of a Christian of Whom Jesus Approves."

All are invited to the services.

Eastminster Chapel.

Republic avenue (near plant 3) Minister, Rev. R. Grierson, 205 Grove ave.

10:15—Sunday school.

11:30—Morning Worship. Theme: "Nearer the Cross."

6 p. m.—Senior C. E.

7:00 p. m.—Evening Worship.

Theme: Martin Luther breaking with the Pope. With beautifully colored stereopticon views illustrating the life of Luther and his times.

Methodist Episcopal Church

Matt. W. Duffey, Minister.

Sunday services:

10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.

11:30 a. m.—Morning worship.

Sermon subject, "The Church That Was Near Satan's Throne."

3:00 p. m.—Junior League.

6:00 p. m.—Epworth League.

Topic: "Modern Progress, Modern Unrighteousness." Leader, Howard Beers.

7:00 p. m.—Evening service.

A fine service of live singing and timely messages.

In the morning service baptism will be administered and new members received.

Most cordial invitation to all.

AUCTION SALE.

Having decided to quit farming, I will sell at public auction at my farm three and one-half miles south and one-half mile west of Alma on Tuesday, Feb. 8th, at 12:30, four horses, 12 head of cattle, three hogs, 37 sheep, implements, farm tools, feed, etc., and also a Ford touring car. Ten months' time on good paper for sums over \$5. F. E. Northrup—adv.

GIVEN THIRTY DAYS

Charles Lentz arrested for stealing from the Eicher livery barn on Prospect avenue, was taken before John Myers, justice of the peace in Ithaca, the latter part of last week, and on being found guilty was given thirty days in jail. He was charged with petty larceny.

Attention, Alma People

We wish to announce to the people of Alma that we have opened a

Dairy Product Store

at 203 East Superior Street

and are now in a position to furnish you with fresh butter, made from the choicest cream churned in our own sanitary dairy room.

We also have Cottage Cheese, Butter-milk, Jersey Milk and Cream, Fresh Eggs, Bread, Fried Cakes and Home Baked Beans. Give us a trial and be convinced as to the quality of our goods.

Wolverine Dairy Co.

203 East Superior St.

PRAISES ARMY

Fred Green of Ionia Has High Regard for the Army.

The following communication submitted to The Record by Sgt. C. E. Marsh of the local recruiting office, speaks of the high regard that Fred A. Green of Ionia has for the army: "Permit me as an employer of labor to write you regarding the effect upon the men of your military and vocational training."

This company has found that the men who have seen service in the Army, especially those who have come in contact with the regular army discipline, are better workmen by the reason of this experience. To my mind one of the great deficiencies in the training of American children is the absence of discipline. So many are not disciplined either at home or at schools, with the result it is very hard to learn the necessity of obedience to authority in their tasks.

"We have found that the men who have gone into the army and learned its lessons, who can take an order and execute it, almost invariably learn to give an order promptly. We are able to select competent foremen and instructors from these men with little difficulty. It is brought home to us very strongly at times like this, when business is stagnant that the only man that is really sure of employment is the man who has had vocational training. While you may be able to do away with all the common labor connected with your factory you will not release the skilled man in any particular line. When times are good it is easy to replace the common laborer, but it is not easy to replace the other fellow: the result is that factories spend immense sums of money in wages in order to hold together these best men in every department even when there is no demand for their product."

"Very respectfully,

"Fred A. Green, Manager,

"Ypsilanti Reed Furniture Company."

Bert Lytell—Strand Sunday—adv.

Mary Pickford—next week—adv.

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Monarch Coffee, per lb. 38c, 10 lbs. for	\$3.50
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12 lbs. Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
Head Lettuce, Leaf Lettuce, Celery, Sweet Potatoes, Green Peppers, Grape Fruit, Oranges, Lemons.	

Ellison's Grocery

Auction Sale

The undersigned, who leaves soon for Montana, will sell at public auction at the residence of W. C. Mallory, Elwell, on

Wednesday, February 9

commencing at 2:00 p. m., all of his

Furniture and Household Goods

CONSISTING OF

10 rugs	1 bronze bed with mattress and springs
7 rocking chairs	2 oak dressers
1 library table	1 kitchen table
1 dining room table	1 Bissell carpet sweeper
6 dining room chairs	1 hall tree
1 oak buffet	1 bench wringer
1 brass bed with mattress and springs	2 wash tubs

And many other articles

Terms of Sale

All sums of \$10 and under cash; over that amount, eight months' time on good bankable paper at seven per cent interest. Five per cent discount for cash on all sums over \$10.

HENRY MALLORY,
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